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MEMORANDUM

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents, Principals,
and Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Jeremy M. Hughes, Ph.D.
Deputy Superintendent, Chief Academic Officer

DATE: May 17, 2007

SUBJECT: Draft K-12 Social Studies Content Expectations and Draft K-7 Science
Content Expectations for Comments.

**Social Studies and Science Content Expectations
READY for REVIEW and COMMENT**

Over the past year, the Michigan Department of Education staff, in collaboration with social studies and science academicians and educators across the state, have worked diligently to develop *DRAFT* content expectations outlining what students should know and be able to do in these important subjects.

On May 8, 2007, the *DRAFT* K-12 Social Studies Expectations and *DRAFT* K-7 Grade Level Content Expectations for Science were presented in *DRAFT* form to the State Board of Education. These expectations have now been placed on the web for public review and comment through June 29, 2007.

YOUR INPUT IS VALUED

To ensure students have the knowledge and understanding to become informed, involved, and responsible citizens, and have the science foundation necessary to succeed in high school, we invite you to review and comment on one or more of these documents.

Feedback from these reviews will be incorporated into a final set of expectations. The Social Studies Content Expectations will be sent to the Superintendent and presented to the State Board of Education for their review as an information item in August, with approval in September.

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The Science Grade Level Content Expectations (GLCE) will be sent to the Superintendent and presented to the State Board of Education for their review as an information item in November, with approval in December.

DRAFT SOCIAL STUDIES EXPECTATIONS

To access the *DRAFT* K-12 Social Studies Expectations and provide input, please visit the Michigan Department of Education high school web page at www.michigan.gov/highschool.

DRAFT SCIENCE GRADE LEVEL CONTENT EXPECTATIONS

To access the *DRAFT* K-7 Science Grade Level Content Expectations and provide input, please visit the Michigan Department of Education GLCE page at www.michigan.gov/glce.

These surveys will be open for review and comment through June 29, 2007. For additional information, please contact Betty Underwood, underwoodb@michigan.gov.